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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1155  
By Armstrong

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Stanton Stevens and the 2001 Austin-East Magnet High School football team on winning the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Class 2A State Championship.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is especially proud to honor our exceptional high school athletic teams, those who work hard, display tremendous fortitude, and win championships; and

WHEREAS, the highly regarded Austin-East Magnet School football team, who won the 2001 Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Division 1, Class 2A state championship, is one such outstanding team; and

WHEREAS, in the crucial Blue Cross Bowl title game, the Roadrunners defeated Crockett County 27-21; and

WHEREAS, this was the third state title for Austin-East, but their first since 1986; and

WHEREAS, Lee Curry was chosen as the Offensive Most Valuable Player of the Game in the Blue Cross Bowl, after completing a State Championship record of 18 passes for 313

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yards and two touchdowns; and Steve Booker was named the Defensive Most Valuable Player of the Game; and

WHEREAS, this awesome team finished their memorable season with an excellent 13-2 overall record; and

WHEREAS, Coach Stanton Stevens and his fine staff, which included Coaches Kwayu Graham, Herman Poindexter, Robert Speas, Terry Martin, Scott Dikes, Tobrian Tillman, Max Resnick, Norman Bragg, Tim Smyrle, Diarra Patterson, Ore Pumareiga, and Marshall Walker, have done a superb job; and

WHEREAS, Principal Marion Quinn, Athletic Director Richard Murray, and Booster Club President Willie Andrews have been very supportive of the team; and

WHEREAS, the team trainer was Doug Merrifield; the managers were Larita Bailey, Candace Whitley, Kiearra Thomas, Mickey Thomas, and Kiecess Goins; and the statisticians included Mike Fox and Nelija Calhoun; these dedicated young people were very efficient in completing their duties; and

WHEREAS, the members of the team were: **Seniors**, Brian Blair, Lee Curry, Mark Andrews, Irwin Arnold, Aaron Anderson, Javon Gibson, Travis Jackson, Jason Campbell, Gentry Fulton, Tim Watts, Shannon Ragland, Charles Jackson, Rodney Greene, Stephen Booker, and Randy Brown; **Juniors**, Mike Brown, Todd Bishop, Darrius Griffin, A. J. Donaldson, Ronnie Underwood, Jeffrey Phillips, Reggie Jones, Robert Jackson, Cory Kennebrew, Jimmy Payne, Darryl Minor, Lincoln Billingsley, Derek Williams, and Brian Andrews; **Sophomores**, Ed Marsh, Joe Moore, Shareef Smith, Derrick Jones, Cory Brown, Terrell Johnson, Kevin Smith, Albert Hill, Daniel Sawyer, Brandon Winton, Kwasi Boateng, and Brandon Termon; and **Freshmen**, Albert Harris, Trivial Minnefield, Anthony McAlister, Chris Mathis, Leroy Thompson, Sam Brown, Bradley Johnson, Felix Whitted, Tyrone Jackson, Joey Davis, Eric Sackett, Jaran Smith, and Kevin Walker, each of whom made a significant contribution to the success of the team; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this outstanding team be specially recognized for their most recent accomplishment of becoming State Champions; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That this Body hereby honors and congratulates Coach Stanton Stevens and the 2001 Austin-East Magnet High School football team on winning the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Division 1, Class 2A State Championship title and wish them well in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.